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exceeds the number at which an efficient competition can be conducted, the Contracting Officer may limit the number of proposals in the competitive range to the greatest number that will permit an efficient competition among the most highly rated proposals.

## 552.270-2 Historic Preference.

As prescribed in 570.602, insert the following provision:

HISTORIC PREFERENCE (SEP 1999)

- (a) The Government will give preference to offers of space in buildings on, or formally listed as eligible for inclusion in, the National Register of Historic Places and to historically significant buildings in historic districts listed in the National Register. This preference extends to historic buildings and will result in award if both of the following are met:
- (1) The offer for space meets the terms and conditions of this solicitation as well as any other offer received. The Contracting Officer has discretion to accept alternatives to certain architectural characteristics and safety features defined elsewhere in this solicitation to maintain the historical integrity of the building such as high ceilings, wooden floors, etc.
- (2) The rental is no more than 10 percent higher on a total annual usable square foot cost to the Government than the lowest otherwise acceptable offer.
- (b) If the Government receives more than one offer of an historic building and they meet the above criteria, the Government will award to the lowest priced historic property offered.

(End of provision)

## 552.270-3 Parties to Execute Lease.

As prescribed in 570.602, insert the following provision:

PARTIES TO EXECUTE LEASE (SEP 1999)

- (a) If the lease is executed by an attorney, agent, or trustee on behalf of the Lessor, an authenticated copy of his power of attorney, or other evidence to act on behalf of the Lessor, shall accompany the lease.
- (b) If the Lessor is a partnership, the lease shall be signed with the partnership name, followed by the name of the legally authorized partner signing the same, and, if requested by the Government, a copy of either the partnership agreement or current Certificate of Limited Partnership shall accompany the lease.
- (c) If the Lessor is a corporation, the lease shall be signed with the corporate name, followed by the signature and title of the officer or other person signing the lease on its

behalf, duly attested, and, if requested by the Government, evidence of this authority to so act shall be furnished.

(End of provision)

## 552.270-4 Definitions.

As prescribed in 570.603, insert the following clause:

DEFINITIONS (SEP 1999)

The following terms and phrases (except as otherwise expressly provided or unless the context otherwise requires) for all purposes of this lease shall have the respective meanings hereinafter specified:

- (a) "Commencement Date" means the first day of the term.
- (b) "Contract" and "Contractor" means "Lease" and "Lessor," respectively.
- (c) "Contracting Officer" means a person with the authority to enter into, administer, and/or terminate contracts and make related determinations and findings. The term includes certain authorized representatives of the Contracting Officer acting within the limits of their authority as delegated by the Contracting Officer.
- (d) "Delivery Date" means the date specified in or determined pursuant to the provisions of this lease for delivery of the premises to the Government, improved in accordance with the provisions of this lease and substantially complete, as such date may be modified in accordance with the provisions of this lease.
- (e) "Delivery Time" means the number of days provided by this lease for delivery of the premises to the Government, as such number may be modified in accordance with the provision so this lease."

  (f) "Excusable Delays" means delays aris-
- (f) "Excusable Delays" means delays arising without the fault or negligence of Lessor and Lessor's subcontractors and suppliers at any tier, and shall include, without limitation:
  - (1) acts of God or of the public enemy,
- (2) acts of the United States of America in either its sovereign or contractual capacity,
- (3) acts of another contractor in the performance of a contract with the Government,
  - (4) fires,
  - (5) floods.
  - (6) epidemics,
  - (7) quarantine restrictions,
  - (8) strikes,
  - (9) freight embargoes,
  - (10) unusually severe weather, or
- (11) delays of subcontractors or suppliers at any tier arising from unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of both the Lessor and any such subcontractor or supplier.
- (g) "Lessor" means the sub-lessor if this lease is a sublease.